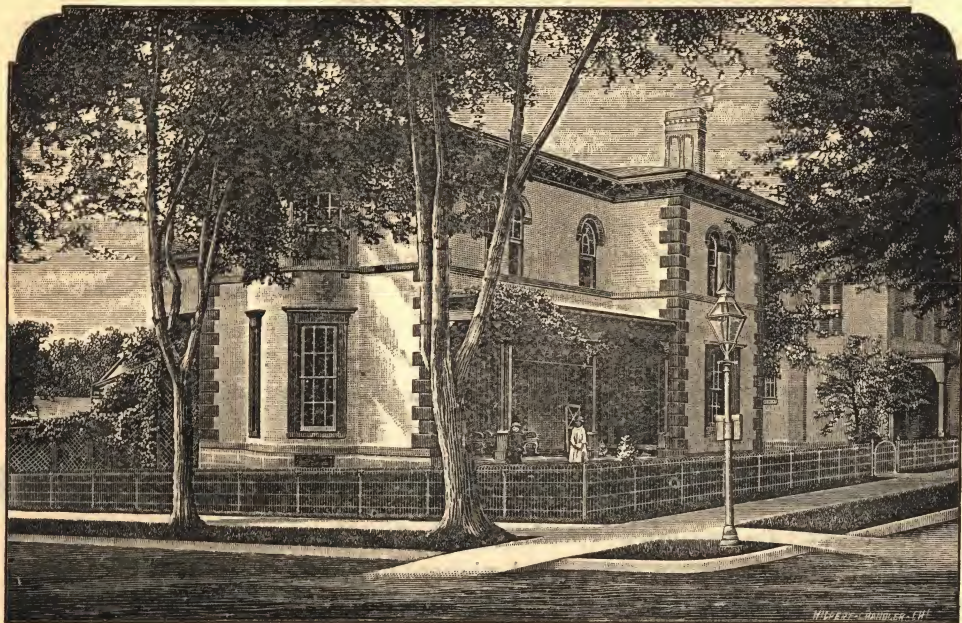


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THE "RICKARDS" FENCE HAS NO EQUAL
AS A DOOR-YARD, LAWN OR CEMETERY FENCE, AND IS CHEAPER
THAN MOST POOR QUALITY WIRE FENCES OR A GOOD WOOD
PICKET FENCE, AND IS EVERLASTING.

We are manufacturing a yard fence that combines beauty, durability, strength and cheapness. When you examine the merits of our GALVANIZED wire (we do not make painted fence) fence, we are certain you will agree with us in saying that we have the best wire fence for Lawns, Yards, Cemeteries or Parks, on the market. It does not obstruct view of lawn and flowers, nor catch snow in winter. It is durable being made of the heaviest Galvanized Steel Wire used in fencing. It is cheap, costing less than a good wood picket fence.

It is generally conceded that a wire fence for the purpose of keeping out chickens and other small animals, should have a space between the pickets not wider than two and one-half inches; anything wider than this is too far apart to give entire satisfaction. A closer space is not necessary. The space between pickets in all of our fences is 2 7-16 inches.

NOTE.—All our fence can be used on our steel posts, or ordinary wood posts. See page 7.

We make two styles of fences; the D and E, they are similar, except that the pickets in D Fence are made of a single No. 6 wire, like small cut, the pickets in E Fence are made of two No. 10 wires twisted together, see cut below.



Actual Size of Twisted Wire Pickets Used in "E" Fence.

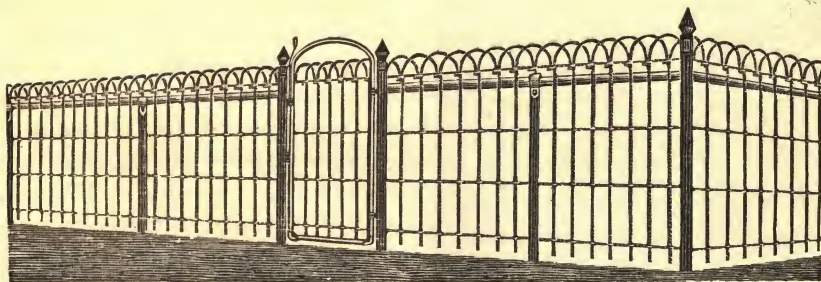


Actual Size of Wire Picket in "D" Fence, Single No. 6 Wire.

The wires used for cables and pickets in our fence are much heavier than used in other wire fences. Both D and E, fence have our improved "Self-protecting" picket head which prevents picket head from being bent.

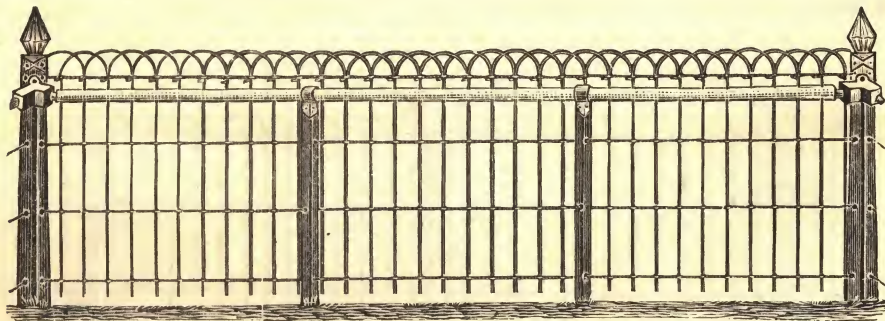
Fence is put up in rolls containing 200 feet, but will make any length desired.

When use wood posts, all you need from us is the fence and gates. We make steel posts and rails for those desiring extra good fence and willing to pay a little more.



All Steel Galvanized Wire Fence, Pickets made of two No. 10 Steel Wire twisted together.

Above cut represents the style E fence and shows outside view of fence, with steel posts and rail.



All Steel Galvanized Wire Fence, Heavy No. 6 Steel Wire Picket.

This cut shows section of D Fence with inside view of steel posts and gas pipe rail. Fence is galvanized, posts and rails are painted with extra quality black asphaltum.

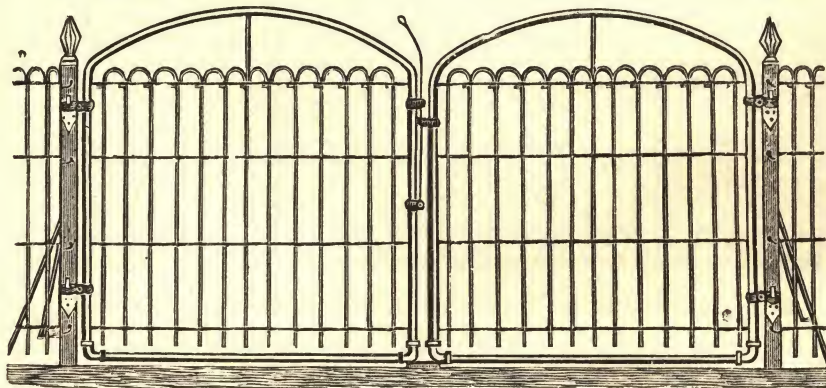


Self-Closing Walk-Gate.

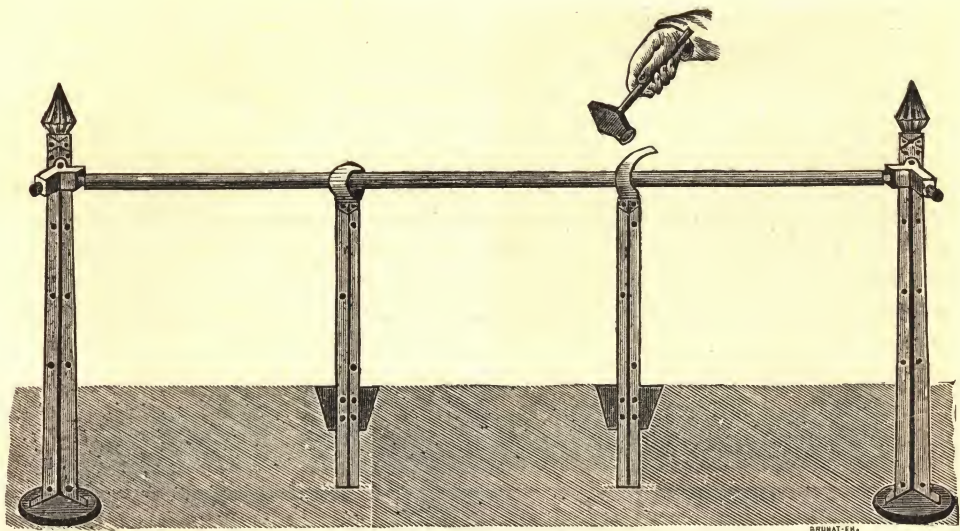
All gates are made to match the style of fence ordered. **Walk Gates**, including hinges, fill space of about 3 feet 5 inches between posts. We make our gate complete with malleable fixtures and spring steel latch, ready to set up as shown in drawing. The frame is made of gas pipe; between frame we fill in with style of fence ordered. All parts of the gate with the exception of fence in same "which is galvanized" is painted with extra quality black enamel.

"Walk Gates are self-closing."

When use wood posts we send hinges and latch catch with gate.



DRIVE GATES.



Above cut shows section, with corner and line posts, and top rail in position, ready for fence to be stretched on same. It also shows the style of our Steel Posts. The corner posts are $1\frac{1}{4} \times 3-16$ inches steel, "angle shape." They have attachments as shown in the cut for the rail, and have anchor plates at the bottom to prevent the posts from heaving or pulling up. We use the angle shape for our gate, corner and end posts, all three being the same except that gate posts have hinges and latch catch attached.

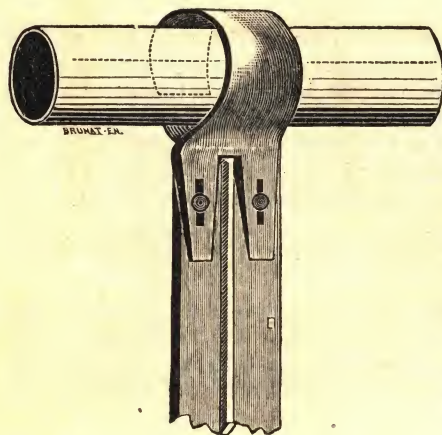
The line posts, (which are the two middle posts shown in cut) are made of $1\frac{1}{4} \times 3-16$ Tee steel, with flange, and can be driven into the ground.

Corner and gate posts should be placed in the ground about two feet; line posts will then have to be driven into the ground so that rail, when attached to the angle posts, will rest in loops or line post tops. These tops should then be closed around the pipe or rail and are then ready to stretch fence.

The strands or cables of fence should be placed through holes in angle posts. the end being twisted or wrapped around its own cable; stretch from the other end post and when taut fasten before loosening the stretcher, in same manner.

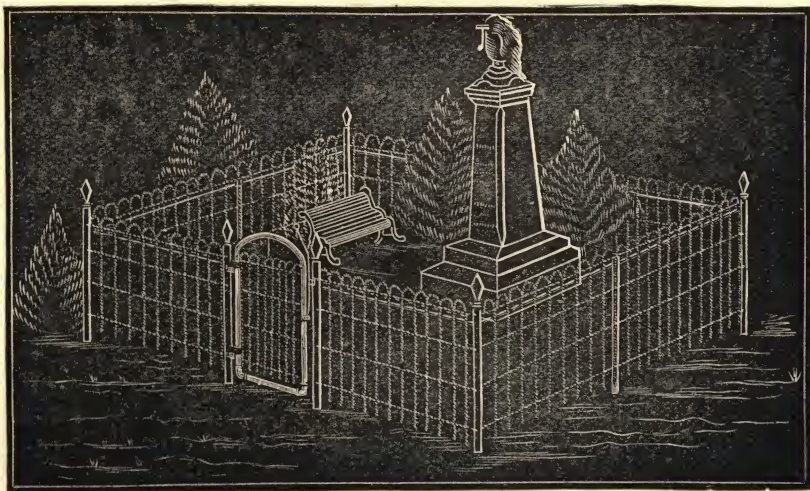
The Tee posts have oblong holes punched in them, at proper distances, for the cables of fence, which are fastened to the posts by staples driven over the cables through the holes and clinched on the opposite or Tee side. The flat side of Tee is face of post. Wire top cable of fence to rail over and between each line post. We send small wires with posts for fastening fence to rail.

After fence is placed complete, if find a little slack, can tighten by unscrewing coupling on pipe.

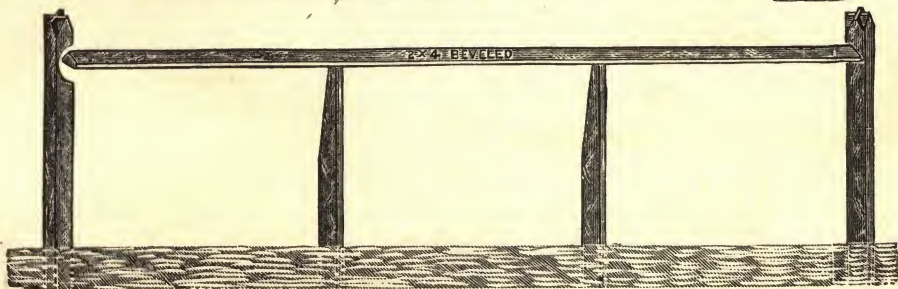


This cut shows Top Rail and Line Post top. The rail is made of gas pipe 1 5-16 inches, outside diameter, 1 inch inside. Each length of rail has a coupling attached so that can screw together, extending it for any distance.

The line post top is made of soft malleable iron, with open loop, which should be bent close over pipe, after connection is made at corner or gate post, as shown in cut on page 5.



HAS NO SUPERIOR AS A CEMETERY FENCE.



Above cut is for the benefit of those using WOOD POST. To give them an idea how to give rail and posts a light appearance to correspond with looks of fence and yet not weaken posts where strength is needed, The rail is 2x4 beveled, "set in" end posts. The line posts being tapered on inside of fence above the ground. No bottom rail or baseboard required.

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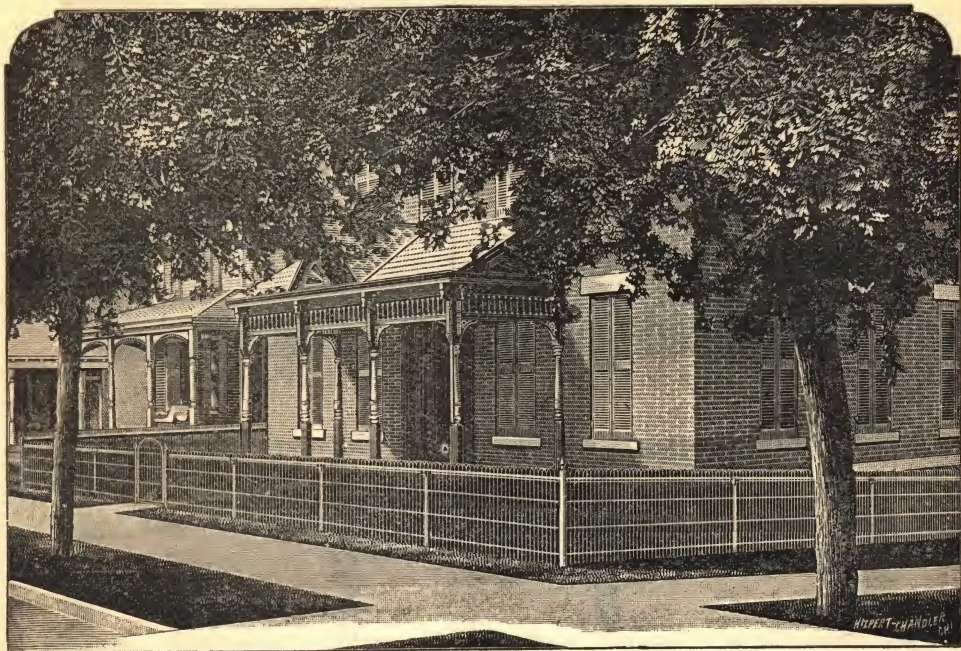
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